

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-5 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being vague and indefinite and Claims 1-5 have been indicated as being allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112. Claims 1-5 remain active.

Considering then the rejection of Claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, it is to be noted that each of Claims 1-5 have now been amended as suggested by the Examiner and additional amendments have been made to the specification and claims for closer compliance with U.S. patent practice and procedure. In view of the foregoing and in view of the Examiner's indication that Claims 1-5 would be allowable if amended to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, favorable reconsideration of Claims 1-5 is believed to be in order and the same is hereby respectfully requested.

For the Examiner's information, an Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith for the purpose of providing the Examiner with copies of foreign references listed in the Background of the Invention and properly listing all patents mentioned in this portion of the application. Accordingly, entry of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested.

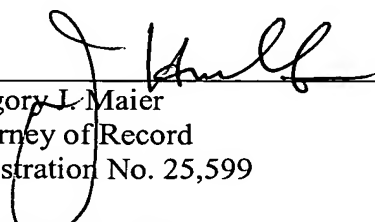
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